



West River Cooperative Telephone Co.

801 Coleman Ave. P. O. Box 39 Bison, SD 57620

August 20, 2015

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: USF Certification B FCC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Enclosed for filing in FCC Docket No. 10-90 is an affidavit certifying that all federal high-cost support provided to West River Cooperative Telephone Co. ("Company") was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

The Company has also filed this affidavit with the North Dakota Public Service Commission ("NDPSC"), and it is anticipated that the NDPSC will also certify by October 1, 2015, that the Company will only use said universal service for its intended purpose. However, because of the importance of this issue, and the fast-approaching certification date of October 1, 2015, the Company is also providing certification directly to the Federal Communications Commission to ensure that the Company continues to receive the universal service support for which it is eligible.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Reed D. Metzger
West River Cooperative Telephone Co.
General Manager

Enclosure

**BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN
CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN
WC DOCKET NO. 10-90**

**AFFIDAVIT OF WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO.
REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

State of South Dakota)
) ss.
County of Perkins)

Reed D. Metzger, being first duly sworn an oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by West River Cooperative Telephone Co. ("West River" or "Company"), in the position of General Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support ("Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission ("NDPSC") has designated the Company as an Eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.


4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in WC Docket No. 10-90 (FCC 01-157) ("Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014 and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to West River was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The

Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 19 day of August, 2015

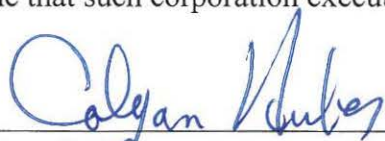
WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO.

By 
Reed D. Metzger
General Manager

State of South Dakota)
) ss.
County of Perkins)

On this 19 day of August, 2015, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Reed D. Metzger, known to me to be the General Manager of WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.




Notary Public
For the State of South Dakota
My commission expires: 7/20/17